

## Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of

Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Interconnection Between Local Exchange Carriers and Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
CC. Docket No. 96-98 OFFICE OF SECRETARY

CC Docket No. 95-185

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## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF PAGE LIMIT

1. Continental Cablevision. Jones Intercable. Inc.. Communications Corp., Charter Communications Group, Prime Cable, InterMedia Partners, TCA Cable TV, Inc., Greater Media, Inc., Cable TV Association of Georgia, Cable Television Association of Maryland, Delaware & the District of Columbia, Inc., Montana Cable TV Television Association, Association, South Carolina Cable and Texas Cable & Telecommunications Association (collectively, "Joint Cable Parties" or "undersigned parties"), respectfully request that the Commission waive the 25-page limitation in Section 1.429(f) of the Commission's rules for oppositions to petitions for reconsideration in the above-captioned proceeding.<sup>2</sup> Good cause exists for this Motion, which is in the public interest.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;47 C.F.R. § 1.429(f).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>See Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (CC Docket No. 96-98), First Report and Order, FCC 96-325, released Aug. 8, 1996 ("Interconnection Order" or "Order").

- 2. As the Commission is well aware, the present proceeding concerns an extraordinarily complex and extensive Order that will have a profound effect on the telecommunications industry and on customers. Numerous parties have responded with petitions for reconsideration and/or clarification, raising a myriad of intricate issues challenging almost every major aspect of the pole, conduit, and right-of-way access provisions of the *Interconnection Order*. Joint Cable Parties submit that they cannot properly respond to the petitions within the 25-page limit provided under the Commission's rules. Accordingly, the undersigned parties respectfully request that the Commission extend the page limit for opposition to petitions for reconsideration to 50 double-spaced pages.
- 3. An extension of the page limit is further warranted by the fact that the Common Carrier Bureau extended the page limit applicable to petitions for reconsideration in this proceeding from 25 to 50 pages. The Bureau found that "[t]he length of the order and complexity of issues presented may require greater discussion than the typical Commission order." Fairness requires that the opponents to the petitions for reconsideration of the Order be permitted a similar page extension so that they have the opportunity to respond to each and every issue raised in the expanded petitions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (CC Docket No. 96-98), and Interconnection between Local Exchange Carriers and Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers (CC Docket No. 95-185), DA 96-1603 (Sept. 24., 1996). Joint Cable Parties note that, without specifically citing this ruling, Florida Power & Light and the American Electrical Power Service Corporation et al., respectively, submitted 48 and 50 page comments regarding pole, conduit, and right-of-way issues.

## **CONCLUSION**

For these reasons set forth above, Joint Cable Parties respectfully submit that good cause has been demonstrated for an extension of the page limit from 25 to 50 pages under Section 1.429(f), and that grant of this motion would serve the public interest.

Respectfully submitted,

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